UNCLASSIFIED//FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY



CALIFORNIA STATE THREAT ASSESSMENT CENTER

24-HOUR REPORT

28 FEBRUARY 2017

(U) CALIFORNIA

(U) San Diego - Two Men Face Smuggling Charges

(U) Two men were charged in a federal court complaint yesterday with smuggling seven unauthorized immigrants from Mexico into the US, in an incident that abruptly ended Sunday when an SUV one of the men was driving crashed after a short pursuit by Border Patrol agents in Campo. The complaint identified Keith Lamon Grier, a US citizen born in Chula Vista, as the driver of the white Chevy Trailblazer that was loaded with unauthorized immigrants. A second man, Luis Alvarez-Delgado, a Mexican citizen, was identified by some of the unauthorized immigrant passengers as the foot guide, who led them across the border and to the vehicle.

SOURCE: 27 February 2017, San Diego Tribune

(U) NATIONAL

(U) Arizona – Jewish Community Centers Receive Bomb Threats

(U) Phoenix – Jewish community centers (JCCs) in both Scottsdale and Tucson each received bomb threats yesterday evening. The JCC in Scottsdale received a vague threat by phone. Police said they cleared the building and premises with patrol officers, and the JCC resumed normal operations. In Tucson, the Jewish community center there was under lockdown for 90 minutes until police gave the all clear. These threats are part of a nationwide trend over the last couple of months. Officials say bomb threats were called into 13 Jewish community centers and seven Jewish day schools. Sunday marked the fifth wave of bomb threats against Jewish Community Centers and Jewish institutions since January. SOURCE: 27 February 2017, KTAR News

(U) Kansas – Suspect Charged with Shootings of Two Victims

(U) Olathe – The man accused of shooting two technology workers from India and another man at a bar in Kansas last week had his first court appearance yesterday in a high-profile case that is being investigated as a possible hate crime. Adam Purinton, 51, faces one charge of first-degree murder and two charges of attempted first-degree murder in last Wednesday's shooting in Olathe that killed one person and injured two others. The incident has raised worries among Indians and other communities about possible violence against foreign workers in the United States. A motive has not yet been established, and the FBI is looking into the case to determine whether the shootings would be considered federal hate crimes.

SOURCE: 28 February 2017, CNN

(U) Puerto Rico – US Coast Guard Unloads Major Drug Haul in Puerto Rico

(U) San Juan – Authorities have made the largest maritime seizure of cocaine in the Atlantic region since 1999 from a boat off South America's northeastern coast, the US Coast Guard said yesterday. About 4.2 tons of cocaine, with an estimated street value of \$125 million, was confiscated from a fishing boat in international waters off Suriname, said a spokesman for the US Coast Guard in San Juan. The vessel was stopped and searched by authorities 16 February during a joint patrol by the crews of the US Coast Guard cutter Joseph Napier and the coast guard of Trinidad and Tobago. The crew of the Napier, which

UNCLASSIFIED//FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY

is based in Port Canaveral, Florida, towed the 70-foot (21-meter) fishing vessel, the Lady Michelle, to St. Vincent and four men on board from Guyana were taken to the US Virgin Islands to face possible criminal charges. The Coast Guard took the cocaine to Puerto Rico and turned it over to the US Drug Enforcement Administration.

SOURCE: 27 February 2017, AP

(U) INTERNATIONAL

(U) Afghanistan – ISIL Commander Among Seven Killed in Nangarhar Operations

(U) Nangarhar – At least seven loyalists of the Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant (ISIL) group were killed in a series of operations in eastern Nangarhar province of Afghanistan. The provincial officials are saying the militants were killed as part of the ongoing Shaheen-25 operations. The officials further added that nine militants also sustained injuries during the operations being jointly conducted by the Afghan National Defense and Security Forces (ANDSF) in Haska Mina district.

SOURCE: 28 February 2017, Khaama Press

(U) Australia – Suspect Held Over Suspected Missiles Plan

(U) Young – A man suspected of trying to advise ISIL on missiles has been arrested in Australia. The 42-year-old was arrested in the New South Wales town of Young today, PM Malcolm Turnbull said. Turnbull said the arrest did not relate to a planned terror attack in Australia. Australian Federal Police Commissioner Andrew Colvin said the man, an Australian citizen, was suspected of acting alone. Colvin alleged the man was providing sophisticated advice. He was an electrician and did not appear to have direct experience with missile or laser technology.

SOURCE: 28 February 2017, BBC

(U) Switzerland – Twelve Types of Bacteria Pose Greatest Risk to Human Health

(U) Geneva – Twelve types of bacteria were deemed "priorities" in urgent need of new antibiotics, in a list released by the World Health Organization (WHO) yesterday. The first list of its kind, it highlights bacteria that global health experts believe pose the greatest threats to human health. The WHO is calling on governments and pharmaceutical companies to prioritize the development of new drugs against them. Factors used to determine the bacteria posing the most risk included the levels of resistance seen already, the mortality rates of these bacteria today, their prevalence out in communities and the burden they place on health systems. Topping the list were bacteria classed as "gram negative" bacteria, which have already shown resistance to multiple drugs.

SOURCE: 27 February 2017, CNN

(U) PREPARED BY THE CALIFORNIA STATE THREAT ASSESSMENT CENTER.

(U) FOR QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS, PLEASE EMAIL <u>STAC@CALOES.CA.GOV</u>, OR CALL 916-874-1100.

Warning: This document is the exclusive property of the State Threat Assessment Center (STAC) and is UNCLASSIFIED//FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY (U//FOUO). It contains information that may be exempt from public release under the California Public Records Act (Govt. Code Sec. 6250-6270). It is to be controlled, stored, handled, transmitted, distributed, and disposed of in accordance with STAC policy relating to U//FOUO information and is not to be released to the public, the media, or other personnel who do not have a valid "need-to-know" without prior approval of an authorized STAC official. No portion of this report should be furnished to the media, either in written or verbal form.

This document contains excerpts of suspicious activities and incidents of interest to the STAC as obtained from open and unclassified sources.